4. Under Small Industry Cluster Development Programme, clusters of small-scale industries are taken up for technology upgradation and other overall development.

5. ISO-9000/14001 Certification Reimbursement Scheme provides reimbursement upto Rs. 75,000/- or 75% of the cost, whichever is more incurred by the units for obtaining requisite certification from the competent authority.

6. Regional Testing Centres and Field Testing Stations provide testing facilites for BIS Standard of products.

7. The Marketing Development Assistance Scheme has been launched to introduce appropriate packaging and bar coding of products.

8. Credit Guarantee Trust Fund has been set up to provide guarantee for collateral free credit facilities upto Rs.25 lakhs.

9. Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme provides 12% of capital subsidy (to a maximum of Rs. 4.8 lakhs) for upgradation of technology.

Indo-Pak trade

325. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE & INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indo-Pak trade has grown at an impressive rate during 2005;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India and Pakistan together propose to develop strong manufacturing bases; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) As per the available data, the bilateral trade during April-November 2005 during 2005-2006 has shown a positive growth of 18% over the same period during 2004-2005. The details are given below

(Value: in US $ Million)

Year	Exports to Pakistan	Imports from Pakistan	Total Trade	%Age Growth in Export to Pakistan	%Age Growth in Import from Pakistan	% Growth in Bilateral Trade
2004-05 (Apr.-Nov.)	314.54	66.03	380.57			
2005-06 (Apr.-Nov.)	341.67	108.99	450.66	9	65	18

(Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata) (c) Nor Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

FDI from Singapore

326. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE & INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Singapore was No. 3 in Indian FDI stakes during the first 9 months of 2005'

(b) which are the sectors that Singapore companies are looking at closely for investment; and

(c) what is the action plan of Government to further boost this trend?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) Singapore, with Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in equity of Rs. 1109 crore during the period January 2005 to September 2005, ranks third among the highest investing countries.

(b) Sectors attracting highest equity investment from Singapore during this period are Services Sector; Soaps, Cosmetics and Toilet preparations; and Electrical equipments (including computer software & electronics).

(c) Government has put in place a liberal and transparent Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy, under which FDI up to 100% is allowed in most sectors/activities under the automatic route. India and Singapore have also entered into a Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) with the objective of, *inter-alia,* enhancing investment flows.